



# #ACMT2025 Symposium: Harm Reduction in the Management of SUD

Fairmont Hotel, Vancouver, Canada

Thursday, April 3, 2025

7:00-9:00 AM

● **Optional Fieldtrip: Insite, Supervised Injection Site**

9:45-10:00 AM

● **Welcome & Opening Remarks**

10:00-11:00 AM

● **Donovan Lecture: On the Streets with Evolving Polysubstance Use – The Rise of ‘Fentanyl-Plus’ and Its Impact on Mortality, Morbidity, and Harm Reduction**  
**Daniel Ciccarone**, MD MPH, Justine Miner Prof of Addiction Medicine, Family and Community Medicine, Univ of California San Francisco

11:00-12:00 PM

● **Politics and History of Harm Reduction in Vancouver, Successes & Challenges**  
**Patricia Daly**, MD, Chief Medical Health Officer, Vancouver Coastal Health; Clinical Prof, School of Population and Public Health, Faculty of Medicine at the Univ of British Columbia

12:00-1:15 PM

● **Lunch Break (90 min)**

1:15-2:00 PM

● **Lived Experience in Action: Harm Reduction and Recovery in Vancouver’s Downtown Eastside**  
**Guy Felicella**, International Public Speaker, Drug Policy Advocate, Vancouver

2:00-2:45 PM

● **Voices of Experience: A Discussion on Living and Practicing Harm Reduction**  
**Moderator: Leslie Dye**, MD FACMT FASAM, Clinical Prof, Emergency Medicine, Assistant Medical Dir, Wright State Univ/Boonshoft School of Medicine, OneFifteen  
**Charlene Burmeister**, Harm Reduction Worker, British Columbia Centre for Disease Control  
**Daniel Ciccarone**, MD MPH, Justine Miner Professor of Addiction Medicine, Family and Community Medicine, UCSF  
**Patricia Daly**, MD, Chief Medical Health Officer, Vancouver Coastal Health; Clinical Prof, School of Population and Public Health, Faculty of Medicine at the Univ of British Columbia  
**Guy Felicella**, International Public Speaker, Drug Policy Advocate, Vancouver

2:45-3:30 PM

● **Integrating Harm Reduction with Prevention, Treatment, and Personal Accountability: Saving Lives Without Creating Pill Mills 2.0**  
**Leslie Dye**, MD FACMT FASAM, Clinical Prof, Emergency Medicine, Assistant Medical Dir, Wright State Univ/Boonshoft School of Medicine, OneFifteen

3:30-4:00 PM

● **Rapidly Increasing Methadone Doses, Scaring Medical Toxicologists**  
**Robert Cole Pueringer**, MD, Medical Toxicologist and Addiction Medicine Specialist, Essentia Health

4:00-4:15 PM

● **Break (15 min)**

4:15-5:00 PM

● **Integrating Harm Reduction Approaches in Hospital Care: Inpatient Substance Use Policies**  
**Moderator: Anthony Spadaro**, MD, Fellow-in-Training, Rutgers New Jersey Medical School  
**Gillian Beauchamp**, MD, FACMT, FASAM, Program Dir, Medical Toxicology Fellowship; Associate Prof, Lehigh Valley Health Network; USF Morsani College of Medicine  
**Evan Schwarz**, MD, FACMT, Associate Prof of Emergency Medicine, Univ of California

5:00-5:45 PM

● **Timing is Everything: Harm Reduction for Special Populations – An Interactive Case-Based Discussion of Who, When, and Where**  
**Moderator: Ashley Haynes**, MD FACEP, Medical Toxicologist, Addiction Medicine Specialist, Veterans Health Administration  
**JoAn Laes**, MD, FACMT, FASAM, Abbott Northwestern Hospital, Allina Health  
**Timothy J. Wiegand**, MD FACMT DFASAM, Dir of Toxicology and of the Toxicology Consult Service, Univ of Rochester Medical Center